



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
SUPERFUND SITE STRATEGY RECOMMENDATION - REGION 06



Site Name: Weaver Shipyard

CERCLA ID#: TXD988083853

Alias Site Name: Jos. A Weaver & Son Ship Yard; Bludworth Marine Orange, North Yard

Address: 1601 S. Childers

City/County or Parish/State/Zip: Orange/Orange County/Texas/77630

Report Type: Pre-CERCLA Screen

Date: October 19, 2018

Author: TCEQ - Stephen Ellis

RECOMMENDATION:

<input type="checkbox"/> 1. No Further Remedial Action Planned Under Superfund (NFRAP)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2. Further Investigation Needed Under Superfund												
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To be performed by: <u>TCEQ</u>													
<input type="checkbox"/> 3. No further assessment (i.e., not a valid CERCLA site)													
<input type="checkbox"/> 4. Action Deferred to: <input type="checkbox"/> RCRA <input type="checkbox"/> NRC													
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 5. Site Being Addressed Under the State Voluntary Cleanup Program (VCP): <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No													

NOTIFY AUTHORITY:

<input type="checkbox"/> Removal	<input type="checkbox"/> RCRA	<input type="checkbox"/> TSCA	<input type="checkbox"/> CAA	<input type="checkbox"/> SMCRA
<input type="checkbox"/> Remedial	<input type="checkbox"/> State/Tribe	<input type="checkbox"/> NPDES	<input type="checkbox"/> NRC	<input type="checkbox"/> Resource Trustee: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> CERCLA	<input type="checkbox"/> Federal	<input type="checkbox"/> UIC	<input type="checkbox"/> SPCC	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
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DISCUSSION:


The Weaver Shipyard (Weaver) site is a 7.76 acre property located on the west bank of the Sabine River at 1601 Childers Road in Orange. The company filed as a legacy entity with the Texas Secretary of State in 1975, however, research suggests that operations began as early as 1897. Weaver functioned primarily as a repair facility through 1940, after which they built minesweepers and sub chasers during World War II for the US Navy. After the war, production dropped dramatically as Weaver focused on tank barges and smaller vessels. The latest delivery date on a ship built by Weaver was 1981, and in January 1992 Weaver voluntarily terminated its corporate status.

The Weaver site is currently owned by Jerry Weaver Harris. Based on signage it appears that Bludworth Marine, a producer and servicer of a variety of marine vessels, is the most recent entity operating at the site. Bludworth has concentrated the bulk of its work at a location south of the Weaver site, only sporadically conducting work at the site up to the present. Flooding associated with Hurricane Harvey may have led to a complete cessation of on-site activity. There was no evident site activity noted during a site visit conducted in December 2017.

Potentially contaminated pathways include surface water, soil exposure, and groundwater. There are several monitoring wells, two industrial wells, and one domestic well within 0.25 mile of the site. It is unknown if sampling has ever been conducted at the site, and there is no visible or known evidence of a release. The site does not appear to be active in any other environmental program.

Based upon historical site operations and the lack of current activity at the site, it is recommended that further evaluation in the form of a Preliminary Assessment be completed at the site. The State will be provided a copy of this decision document.

APPROVALS:

Report Reviewed by:	<u>Bret Kendrick</u> (Site Assessment Manager)	Signature:	<u></u>	Date:	<u>11/15/18</u>
Disposition Approved by:	<u>Chris Villarreal</u> (Section Chief 6SF-TR)	Signature:	<u>Chris Villarreal</u>	Date:	<u>11/23/18</u>